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1. EMBASSY HAS NOT RPT NOT RECEIVED REF B AND CANNOT
YET COMMENT ON SUBSTANCE POSSIBLE US-FRG CONSULTATIONS
ABOUT US POSITION ON SAFEGUARDS PRINCIPLES. WE CONCUR,
HOWEVER, THAT BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS ARE BOTH
DESIRABLE AND NECESSARY. THERE HAVE BEEN A NUMBER OF
RECENT INSTANCES (SEE REFS C,D,E, AND EMBASSY REPORTING
ON CERTAIN NUCLEAR EXPORT CONTROL QUESTIONS) WHICH
INDICATE THAT THE POSITION OF THE FRG WITH RESPECT TO
SAFEGUARDS PRINCIPLES AND THEIR ENFORCEMENT IS COMPLEX
AND NOT ALWAYS IN TUNE WITH USG CONCEPTS. NOR DO THE
POSITIONS ADVANCED BY THE FRG REPRESENTATIVES IN INTER-
NATIONAL FORA ALWAYS CONFORM TO THOSE WHICH EMERGE
IN BONN ON SOME REAL-LIFE ISSUE.

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2. WE DOUBT THAT DR. GUPTA, THE LEADER OF A SAFEGUARD

R&D GROUP AT ONE FRG INSTITUTE, WOULD BE AN APPROPRIATE POINT OF CONTACT FOR DISCUSSIONS OF SAFEGUARDS IMPLEMENTATION AT THE POLICY LEVEL. LOOSCH, ALTHOUGH A SENIOR OFFICIAL IN THE FRG MINISTRY FOR RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY AND HIS GOVERNMENT'S CHOICE FOR THE BG OF THE IAEA, REPRESENTS A MINISTRY WHICH HAS ALWAYS DISPLAYED A CAUTIOUS OR NEGATIVE ATTITUDE WITH RESPECT TO SAFEGUARDS AS THEY MIGHT INFLUENCE THE GERMAN NUCLEAR INDUSTRY.

3. EMBASSY RECOMMENDS, THEREFORE, THAT US-FRG CONSULTATIONS ON SAFEGUARDS TOPICS BE CAREFULLY COORDINATED AND THAT THEY BE CONDUCTED AT THE MOST SENIOR LEVELS OF THE FRG GOVERNMENT (INCLUDING FOREIGN OFFICE REPRESENTATIVES) APPROPRIATE TO THE POINTS IN QUESTION.
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